

Amendments to the Specification:

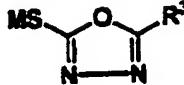
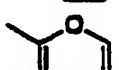
Page 1, line 1, delete the word "SPECIFICATION".

Page 1, please insert the following as the first paragraph:

This application is a U.S. National Phase Application under 35 USC 371 of International Application PCT/JP2002/012113, filed November 20, 2002.

Page 17, replace paragraph [0026] (Table) with:

[0026]

Exemplified compound	 R ³	M
S-3-1		-H
S-3-2		-H
S-3-3		-H
S-3-4		-H
S-3-5		-Na
S-3-6		-H
S-3-7		-H
S-3-8		-H
S-3-9		-H
S-3-10		-H
S-3-11		-H
S-3-12		-H
S-3-13		-H
S-3-14		-H
S-3-15		-H
S-3-16		-H
S-3-17		-H
S-3-18		-H
S-3-19		-H
S-3-20		-H

Page 18, replace paragraph [0027] (Table) with:

[0027]

Exemplified compound		R^3	M
S-3-21		$-H$	$-H$
S-3-22		$-C_2H_5$	$-H$
S-3-23		$-C_3H_7(t)$	$-H$
S-3-24		$-C_3H_7$	$-H$
S-3-25			$-H$
S-3-26			$-H$
S-3-27			$-H$
S-3-28			$-H$
S-3-29			$-H$
S-3-30		$-NH_2-N(CH_3)_2$	$-H$
S-3-31		$-CH_2CH=CH_2$	$-H$
S-3-32		$-SH$	$-H$
S-3-33		$-NHCOCH_2CH_3$	$-H$

Page 43, replace the third paragraph starting with "Solution A2" and ending with "Water to make 420 ml", as follows:

Solution A2

Sodium chloride	71.9 g
$K_2[IrCl_6]$	4×10^{-8} mol/mol AgX
$K_4[Fe(CN)_6]$	2×10^{-5} mol/mol AgX
Potassium bromide	0.7 g
Water to make	420 ml

Pages 77-78, replace paragraph [0128] (Table) with:

Sample No.	Sensitivity	Fogging	Gradation (γ)	Storage stability	Pressure resistance	Remarks
101	100	100	100	145	E	Comp.
102	110	93	115	137	D	Comp.
103	108	92	114	132	D	Comp.
104	110	95	119	135	E	Comp.
105	117	86	125	116	C	Inv.
106	118	87	126	114	C	Inv.
107	121	84	129	108	B	Inv.
108	140	71	139	86	A	Inv.
109	142	70	137	83	A	Inv.
110	141	70	138	86	A	Inv.
111	136	74	130	90	B	Inv.
112	135	73	131	87	B	Inv.
113	137	73	133	88	A	Inv.
114	143	70	133	83	A	Inv.
115	134	74	131	88	B	Inv.
116	135	75	130	89	B	Inv.
117	133	73	133	87	A	Inv.
118	136	73	130	86	B	Inv.
119	129	77	128	96	B	Inv.
120	128	82	126	106	C	Inv.
121	147	70	141	81	A	Inv.

Page 86, replace paragraph [0143] (the Table) with:

[0143]

Sample No.	Clarity of thin lines and text	Flesh color reproducibility	Vegetation green reproducibility	Print reproducibility	Remarks
101	D	D	D	D	Comp.
102	D	C	C	D	Comp.
103	D	C	C	D	Comp.
104	D	D	D	C	Comp.
105	B	B	B	B	Inv.
106	B	B	B	B	Inv.
107	A	A	B	B	Inv.
108	A	A	A	A	Inv.
109	A	A	A	A	Inv.
110	A	A	A	A	Inv.
111	A	B	B	B	Inv.
112	A	B	B	B	Inv.
113	A	B	B	B	Inv.
114	A	A	A	A	Inv.
115	B	B	A	B	Inv.
116	B	A	B	B	Inv.
117	B	A	B	B	Inv.
118	B	A	B	B	Inv.
119	A	B	A	B	Inv.
120	B	B	B	B	Inv.
121	A	A	A	A	Inv.

Page 88, replace paragraph [0145] (the Table) with:

[0145]

Sample No.	Clarity of thin lines and text	Flesh color reproducibility	Vegetation green reproducibility	Print reproducibility	Remarks
101	D	D	D	D	Comp.
102	D	C	C	D	Comp.
103	D	C	C	D	Comp.
104	D	D	D	C	Comp.
105	B	B	B	B	Inv.
106	B	B	B	B	Inv.
107	A	A	B	B	Inv.
108	A	A	A	A	Inv.
109	A	A	A	A	Inv.
110	A	A	A	A	Inv.
111	B	B	A	B	Inv.
112	B	B	A	B	Inv.
113	B	B	A	B	Inv.
114	A	A	A	A	Inv.
115	B	B	A	B	Inv.
116	B	A	B	B	Inv.
117	B	A	B	B	Inv.
118	B	A	B	B	Inv.
119	A	B	A	B	Inv.
120	B	B	B	B	Inv.
121	A	A	A	A	Inv.